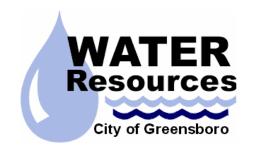


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CITY OF GREENSBORO RECEIVES HIGH MARKS ON WATER QUALITY

GREENSBORO, NC (May 30, 2006) – The City of Greensboro's annual water quality report, the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), will be delivered to Greensboro residents within the next week. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under the 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act amendments, mandates that all municipal water systems provide a 2005 CCR to their customers by July 1, 2006. The CCR provides information about where water comes from, possible substances in the water and compliance with state and federal limits. It also provides public health information enabling consumers to make decisions regarding any potential health risks related to the use of their public drinking water. The City of Greensboro had clean, safe drinking water in 2005 and continues to provide superior quality water to residents.

"Greensboro's water is regularly tested and monitored by our highly skilled water treatment professionals," says Allan Williams, Water Resources Director. "Our employees work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We have continually exceeded all federal and state drinking water standards," he adds.

"We have always been committed to providing our customers with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water," says Steve Drew, Water Supply Manager. "We're pleased to report that our testing shows the excellent quality of our water, and we are very proud to announce that our water system had no violations," he adds.

For a report please call the Water Resources department at 373-CITY (373-2489) or visit www.greensboro-nc.gov/water/.

The City of Greensboro works in partnership with the community to increase the quality of life for all residents by fostering an environment of inclusion, diversity, and trust. As the seventh largest employer in Greensboro, the City has a dedicated professional staff of 2,800 employees who maintain four core values of honesty, integrity, stewardship, and respect. The City is

governed by a council-manager form of government with a mayor and eight council members. For more information on the City of Greensboro, please visit us online at www.greensboro-nc.gov or call 373-CITY (2489).